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RESPONSE

In response to the outstanding Office action dated October 9, 2002, Applicants submit the following remarks.

Remarks

Applicants thank the Examiner for extending their attorney, Allison Johnson, the courtesy of a telephone interview on November 27, 2002. During the teleconference Supervising Primary Examiner Zirker recognized the possibility that the motivation to combine the cited references (i.e., JP '353 and JP '628) might be lacking.

Claims 19-35 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103 over JP SHO 50-10353 (JP '353) in view of JP 60027628 (JP '628).

JP '353 discloses coating the edge face of a roll of tape with a solution that includes an organic solvent and either a crosslinkable photosensitizer or a crosslinkable photosensitizer, a photoactive crosslinking agent and, optionally, a vinyl-based polymer. The organic solvents disclosed by JP '353 include toluene, tetrahydrofuran, methyl ethyl ketone, and acetone.

JP '628 discloses spacers disposed between glass plates arranged in parallel and a photocurable adhesive disposed between the spacer and the glass plate or on the circumference of the glass plates. JP '628 appears to disclose that the adhesive is a monomer or an oligomer-based adhesive. The adhesive is cured by ultraviolet (UV) radiation.

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